I wanted to express my opinion of the merger concerning XM and Sirius. I am in favor of the merger. I subscribed to satellite radio because radio companies bought out most of the am/fm stations I listened to and changed the stations programming . This left me with no radio stations that I was interested in listening to in my area.

The merger will benefit me as a consumer and I will give just one example. I am a Alabama fan and currently only Sirius carries Alabama sports. I am also a fan of MLB. Currently, in order for me to receive both MLB and Alabama sports I would have to subscribe to both Services. The merger will eventually allow me to only have to pay for 1 service and 1 piece of equipment.

The radio industry has many different segments that people listen to whether its Am/Fm, Cd's, Ipod's, Internet radio, satellite radio or other devices. .A lobbying group is lobbying against the merger of Xm and Sirius for one reason. The merger is not going to affect me, the consumer negatively. The lobbying group is lobbying against the merger because they are a competitor to Satellite radio.

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